

B3 7. (Amended) The sugar wafer batter of claim 1, wherein the sugar wafer is sufficiently flexible for more than 50 seconds after baking to enable further processing.

B3 9. (Twice Amended) A baked sugar wafer comprising fat, wheat flour, cereal grits, sucrose, and water, wherein the combination of fat, wheat flour, cereal grits, sucrose, and water account for at least 95 percent by weight of the sugar wafer; the amount of water in the sugar wafer is from about 0.5% to 6% by weight based on the weight of the sugar wafer; the sucrose is present in an amount of from 50 to 100 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the wheat flour and cereal grits; and the ratio of wheat flour to cereal grits to is from 10:90 to 80:20; and whereby the sugar wafer is sufficiently flexible under ambient conditions for more than 40 seconds after baking to enable further processing of the wafer.

B4 11. (Amended) The sugar wafer of claim 10, wherein 20 percent to 80 percent of the sucrose is replaced with a reducing sugar component.

B5 13. (Twice Amended) A baked sugar wafer comprising fat, wheat flour, sucrose, a reducing sugar, and water, wherein the combination of fat, wheat flour, sucrose, a reducing sugar, and water account for at least 95 percent by weight of the sugar wafer; the amount of water in the sugar wafer is from about 0.5% to 6% by weight based on the weight of the sugar wafer; the sucrose and reducing sugar are present in an amount of from 50 to 100 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the wheat flour; and the ratio of sucrose to reducing sugar is from 85:15 to 20:80; and whereby the sugar wafer is sufficiently flexible under ambient conditions for more than 40 seconds after baking to enable further processing of the wafer.

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended by Examiner Lien Tran during an interview on May 29, 2001 with Applicants' attorney, Jeffrey A. Wolfson. The comments appearing herein are substantially in accord with those presented and discussed during the interview.

Claims 1-20, as amended, appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached as Appendix A. A